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Sievers et al.)
Serial No.: 09/787,688)
Filing Date: February 1, 2002)
Group Art Unit: 1712
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Title: **SURFACE-TREATED MINERAL MATERIALS AND PROCESS FOR
THEIR PRODUCTION**

New York, NY 10036
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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action that was mailed May 1, 2003. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

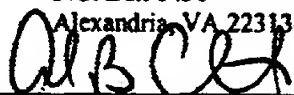
Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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